

# 2014 Massachusetts District Report Card Overview AMESBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT (00070000)

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Report cards help parents/guardians and the general public see where schools and districts are succeeding and where there is still work to do. This report card overview answers important questions about our district's performance. For the full report card containing additional data contact the district or visit the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's website at <a href="http://profiles.doe.mass.edu">http://profiles.doe.mass.edu</a>. For more information about report card data, visit our Profiles Help page.

### How is our district doing overall?

#### Accountability & assistance levels

Level 2

One or more schools in the district classified into Level 2

Most **schools** are assigned a level from 1-5, with those meeting their proficiency gap-narrowing goals in Level 1 and the lowest performing in Levels 4 and 5. A **district** is typically assigned a level based on the level of its lowest performing school. Placing schools and districts into levels helps districts know which schools need more support, and helps the state know which districts need the most assistance.

#### Overall progress in narrowing gaps

Massachusetts aims to reduce proficiency gaps by half between 2011 and 2017.

All students Did Not Meet

High needs students Did Not Meet

Low income students Did Not Me

Did Not Meet Target

Target

Students with Did Not Meet

disabilities Target

English language learners & former ELLs

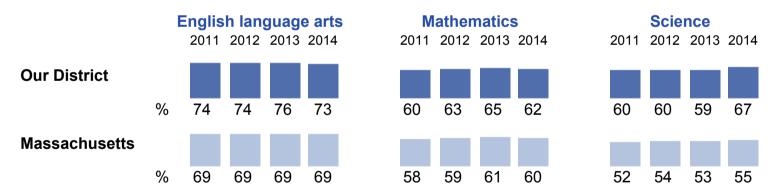
District determination of need for special education technical assistance or intervention

#### Meets Requirements-At Risk (MRAR)

Districts, including single school districts, are assigned a determination of need for special education technical assistance or intervention. These determinations, which are typically based on the district's accountability and assistance level, range from *Meets Requirements – Provisional* (districts with insufficient data) to *Needs Substantial Intervention* (Level 5 districts). The determination, which also incorporates compliance measures, helps to identify whether the Department will require districts to take additional actions to support improved outcomes for all children, especially students with disabilities.

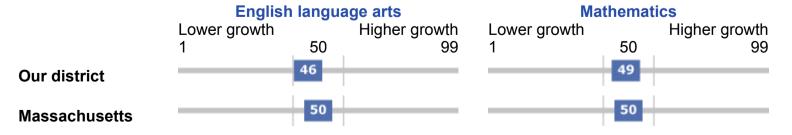
## How does our district's achievement over time compare to the state?

Students scoring proficient or above on Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS), 2011-2014.



#### How does our district's growth compare to the state?

Student Growth Percentiles (SGPs) measure gains in student achievement from year to year. SGPs between 40 and 60 represent moderate growth. Our district's median SGPs for 2014 are below. (Note: Growth values are truncated.)



## How does our district's enrollment compare to the state?

Total enrollment	Our district	Massachusetts
	2,348	955,739
By high needs population	Our district # %	Massachusetts # %
Low income students Students with disabilities English language learners	623 26.5 459 19.3 22 0.9	365,885 38.3 164,336 17.0 75,947 7.9

## How do our district's teachers and classrooms compare to the state?

General information	Our district	Massachusetts
Teachers (#)	156.7	70,489.3
Core academic classes taught by highly qualified teachers (%)	96.7	95.5
Average class size (#)	19.0	18.1
Student : teacher ratio	15.0 to 1	13.6 to 1

## How is our district doing on other important measures?

Attendance	Our district	Massachusetts
Attendance rate (%)	95.3	94.9
Average days absent per student (#)	8.1	8.7
Discipline		
2013 In-school suspension rate (%)	0.2	2.2
2013 Out-of-school suspension rate (%)	2.6	4.3
High school completion	Our district	Massachusetts
2012 5-year graduation rate (%)	85.8	87.5
2013 4-year graduation rate (%)	87.4	85.0
2013 annual dropout rate (%)	2.3	2.2
2012 graduates attending institutions of higher education* (%)	80.7	75.6
2014 12th graders taking 1+ Advanced Placement courses (%)	29.6	35.6
2014 Advanced Placement tests with scores of 3 or higher (%)	86.5	68.4
2014 SAT average score - Reading	529	508
2014 SAT average score - Writing	525	499
2014 SAT average score - Math	541	523
2013 MassCore** - Completing a rigorous course of study (%)	100.0	70.2

<sup>\*</sup>Postsecondary enrollment data includes any student enrolling in an institution of higher education within 16 months of earning a high school diploma

What else should you know about our district?			

<sup>\*\*</sup>MassCore: 4 years of English, math, & science, 3 years of history, 2 years of a foreign language, 1 year of arts & 5 additional "core" courses

# What are our schools' accountability and assistance levels?

School	School type	Student enrollment	Accountability & assistance level
Amesbury Elementary	Elementary School	436	Level 1
Charles C Cashman Elementary	Elementary School	533	Level 2
Amesbury Middle	Middle School	738	Level 2
Amesbury High	High School	641	Level 1

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